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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

Jun ISHII, et al.

Serial No.: 10/052,838

Filing Date: January 17, 2002

For: DISCRIMINATOR FOR DIFFERENTLY  
MODULATED SIGNALS, METHOD  
USED THEREIN, DEMODULATOR  
EQUIPPED THEREWITH, METHOD  
USED THEREIN, SOUND  
REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND  
METHOD FOR REPRODUCING  
ORIGINAL MUSIC DATA CODE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 2817

**STATUS REQUEST**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

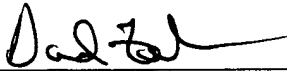
This is the second status request on the above-referenced patent application, which was filed on January 17, 2002. Applicants have not yet received an action from the Patent Office. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request a status report as to when they may expect to receive an Office Action in the above-identified application.

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